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Letter dated 31 March 1994 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i.
of the Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a communiqué issued on behalf of the European Union by its Presidency on the nuclear issue concerning the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 64 (c) of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

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ANNEX

Communiqué on the nuclear issue concerning the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, issued on 31 March 1994 on behalf of the European Union by its Presidency

The European Union expresses its deep concern that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has failed to allow inspectors of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to complete inspection activities, agreed between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Agency on 15 February 1994, thus increasing the extent of its non-compliance with the provisions of the safeguards agreement under its commitment to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons.

The European Union fully supports the IAEA Board of Governors resolution of 21 March 1994, recalling in particular paragraph 3, in which the board of Governors strongly endorsed and commended the patient and impartial efforts of the Director-General and the secretariat to implement the safeguards agreement, and recalling paragraph 6, in which the Director-General was requested to transmit that resolution and his report to the Security Council in accordance with article XII.C of the statute of IAEA.

The European Union views nuclear proliferation as a major threat to international peace and security and recalls its long-standing commitment to the aims of the non-proliferation treaty.

Therefore, we urge the Democratic People's Republic of Korea immediately and fully to comply with the IAEA-Democratic People's Republic of Korea safeguards agreement. We also urge the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to enter into discussions with the Republic of Korea for the implementation of the joint declaration on the denuclearization of the Korean peninsula.

The European Union considers that prospects for a better relationship with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea would be greatly enhanced if concerns over that country's nuclear activities and intentions could be alleviated.

The European Union calls upon the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to display a responsible attitude and to refrain from its present position, which constitutes a threat to peace, stability and security in the Korean peninsula and in the whole region.